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IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CITY SERVICES THROUGH BETTER USE OF RESOURCES

The 2002-03 Executive Budget reorganizes a number of City operations in accordance with Mayor Kilpatrick's Executive Organization Plan

The Detroit City Charter grants the Mayor as Chief Executive of the City broad managerial powers. The Charter delegates solely to the executive branch the responsibility for implementation of most programs, services and activities.

The Mayor must prepare an *Executive Organization Plan (EOP)* setting forth all agencies of the executive branch and assigning authorized programs, services and activities to each.

✓ The 6 staff departments must be included:

Budget, Planning, Finance, Law, Human Resources, and Environmental Affairs

✓ 6 operating departments must be included:

Arts, Historical, Human Rights, Police, Water and Sewerage, Zoological Institute

✓ a variety of other functions must be provided for:

Health and Sanitation, Building, Community and Economic Development, Consumer Affairs, Public Works, Fire, Public Lighting, Recreation and Transportation

✓ other than the 6 staff and 6 operating departments above, the Mayor may reassign functions or combine operating departments

and may not provide for more than 35 departments exclusive of any established under specific statutory authority.

City Council has 60 days in which to approve, modify or reject the Plan and return any recommendations to the Mayor

City of Detroit Charter, Articles 6 and 7

Several operations have been reorganized, resulting in the closure of two departments. There are several advantages to this plan:

- ✓ More integration, with more coordination in information sharing and outreach
- ✓ Immediate savings on support and appointive positions presently in the Youth and Consumer Affairs Departments, and on redeployment of associated City-owned vehicles and equipment
- ✓ Vacated space will lead to \$120,000/yr savings in rent alone after the least expires in 2004
- ✓ Maintenance of existing activity levels, because operating line items were preserved, and increased visibility for some of the smaller operations

Former Operation	Reorganized Operation
Consumer Affairs Department – Advocacy Division	Senior Citizens Department – Office of the Consumer Advocate (3 positions)
	Broader information and referral services, and a coordinated approach to community outreach on overlap problem areas. The Office will work with Neighborhood City Halls to increase citizen access and grass-roots focus.
Consumer Affairs Department – Licenses and Permits Division	Planning and Development – Development Division (13 full-time positions and 4 contractual investigators)
	Utilizes the PDD Welcome Center and attempts to integrate land use and development implications of business issues into development planning through tracking and networking
Consumer Affairs Department – Weights and Measures Division	Police Department – Fleet Control Unit (4 positions added)
	Police already enforce traffic, and fleet control already inspects taxicab meter seals
Youth Department (at risk activities)	Human Services – Child Development Division (2 full-time positions plus \$2 million of grant-funded activities transferred; combined program of 43 positions and \$51 million of activities)
	Coordinated approach to at-risk youth issues, building on Head Start administration, with more resources behind advocacy
Youth Department (programs)	Recreation – After School Program (3 positions added; combined \$2 million program)
	Transfer of staff coordinates approach and adds policy direction to youth programs and advocacy

Former Operation	Reorganized Operation
Department of Public Works – Environmental Control Division is consolidated into 3 inspection operations	Environmental Affairs – Compliance and Enforcement Division (20 positions added)
	Creation of Environmental Enforcement Branch of the Municipal Civil Infractions Bureau, to provide leadership and more aggressive environmental enforcement; focus on regulation of junkyards and on enforcement of environmental nuisance land uses
Note: 4 positions were removed from the Zoning Enforcement Initiative in Buildings and Safety; the Department of Environmental Affairs becomes responsible for the environmental component of zoning enforcement	Health – Environmental Health Services Division (33 positions added)
	Comprehensive neighborhood-based public health approach to litter and rodents, ultimately cross-trained with food and other community inspectors
	Department of Public Works – Solid Waste Division (4 positions)
	Handle annual commercial refuse collection inspections, oversee contracts for vacant lot cleanup, and enforce weather hazard regulations when necessary
	Building and Safety Engineering – Zoning Enforcement Initiative (6 positions)
	Initiation of Zoning Enforcement Branch of the Municipal Civil Infractions Bureau, with focus on integrating nonenvironmental zoning issues such as signage, into regular inspection operations
Planning and Development Department – Development Division, Environmental Section	Environmental Affairs Brownfield Redevelopment Program (3 positions)
	Develop environmental expertise to interface with developers, State and Federal governments and to contain cost and potential liabilities
Department of Public Works – Demolition Division	Buildings and Safety Engineering – Demolition Division (34 positions)
	By reducing duplicate databases, efforts and management, we streamline service to City departments, citizens and demolition contractors, and improve tracking of data, coordination, and continuous improvement.
Telecommunications	Budget Department (transfer of 1 position from ITS; \$500,000 in savings)
monitoring process (pagers, cell phones, land lines and data lines)	enhance planning process for telecommunications services, to improve monitoring of usage patterns, bill payment, cost accounting, negotiation of new rate service agreements with vendors, and equipment specifications